

ALEXANDRIA LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE

Minutes of May 21, 2014 meeting

Community Services Board Offices, Alexandria, Virginia

Committee Members Present: Rebecca Gleed, Karol Anderson, Bob Schaffer

Also Present: A'Tasha Christian (Gracey's Vision), Grace Boone (Gracey's Vision), Assumptu Bourgeois (Unity Care Health Services), Martin Tamukong (Nu Dimensions), Traci Branch (AES), Emmett Burke (Ascending Counseling Solutions), Ana Waterman (Ascending Counseling Solutions), Danica Burton (1 Life 1 Love), Joyce Martin (1 Life 1 Love), Phil Caldwell (Alexandria CSB), Mariah Conten, Georgia Meyers (Center for Discovery), Benjamin Johnson, Vanessa Futrell (1 Life 1 Love), Sherrie Boone (1 Life 1 Love), Yasmine Amibang (Dedicated Care Health Services), Vickie Yelverton (YES), Angela Floyd (YES), Prince Floyd (YES), Antyvane Yelverton (YES), Mary Ann Cassell (CARD), Jennifer Kane (Alexandria CSB), and Kevin Paluszak (State Human Rights Advocate).

The meeting was called to order at 7:15pm by Karol Anderson. Introductions were made of all people present.

There was no public comment.

Affiliates presented updates.

Report from the State Human Rights Advocate, Kevin Paluszak:

- There is a new commissioner, Dr. Ferguson. New regulations have been proposed but are several months from being initiated. Therefore, current regulations stand in place. CHRIS was briefly explained. Affiliates were asked to attach CHRIS reports to quarterly reports.

- Briefly discussed closing of Petersburg Training Center and scheduled closing of the Northern Virginia Training Center.
- Proposed changes at DBHDS would support funding for 77 Local Human Rights Committees
- There were 191 Community Visits from Human Rights in 2013.

Old Business:

- Feedback was provided regarding Kevin's training.
 - Respect and appreciating others' feedback were highlighted as especially helpful

New Business:

- New Affiliates:
 - YES, Dedicated Case Health Services, Ascending Counseling Solutions, and 1Life1Love presented in order to request affiliation. Yes, Ascending Counseling Solutions, and 1Life1Love were approved for affiliation.
 - Affiliates were asked to encourage consumers to apply for LHRC Membership
 - Quarterly Reports were presented by affiliates (Quarter 1 – January through April)
 - Rebecca Gleed motioned to approve February minutes. Bob Schaffer seconded the motion. Minutes were approved.

Karol Anderson motioned to move into Executive Session at 9:02pm. Rebecca Gleed seconded the motion. A client behavior plan was reviewed and approved. Meeting adjourned at 9:36pm.